Fourth Sunday of Easter

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SACRED HEART -LOON LAKE ST. ANTONINUS-PIERCELAND ST. BONIFACE -GOODSOIL

	Тіме	LOCATION	Mass Intention	REQUESTED BY
Mon. April 22			No Mass Scheduled	
Tues. April 23	7:00 pm	Pierceland	+Brian Bussiere	Bernadette Puffer
Wed. April 24	7:00 pm	Goodsoil	+Tony Schreiber	Reg & Yvonne Sonntag
Thur April 25	9:00 am	Goodsoil	Special Intention	Darby & Linda Zerr
Fri. April 26	9:00 am	Goodsoil	Living & Deceased members of CWL	St. Boniface C.W.L.
Sat. April 27	5:00 pm	Loon Lake	Special Intention	Phil Sopracolle
Sun. April 28	9:00 am	Goodsoil	+Laurent Aubin	Bob & Yvonne Rink
	11:00am	Pierceland	For All Parishioners	

St. Boniface MINISTERS	LIST April 28 St. Antoninus	
Commentator- Gail B.	Eucharistic Minister— Shannon	
Readers- Trevor H. Larry N.	Readers - Marla Pam	
Greeters - Ian & Raquelle S.	Music – Anita Mono – Keri	
Gift Bearers - Wes & Lorraine D.	Gifts - James Hetlinger Family	
Eucharistic Minister—Lucille M.	Servers- Andrea	
Servers— Bob R. Kate Dom	Greeters-Susan Sun. School-Myrna	
Rosary —Barb N.	Rosary —Theresia	

St. Mark the Evangelist (1st c.) was born to Jewish parents living in Libya in North Africa, later settling in Cana of Galilee not far from Jerusalem. Mark became one of the 70 disciples of Jesus and the author of the Gospel that bears his name. According to tradition, St. Peter the Apostle was married to a relative of St. Mark's father, and after



Mark's father died, Peter looked after him like his own son. Being a close disciple of St. Peter, the first Bishop of Rome, Mark's Gospel is addressed to Gentile converts to the Christian faith living in Rome. Most of what we know about his life and missionary activity is recorded in the New Testament. He traveled to Egypt and founded the Church there, and was martyred c. 68 A.D. by being dragged through the streets of Alexandria until his body was torn to pieces. St. Mark is the patron of lawyers and prisoners. **His feast day is April 25.**

A Vocation View: This is World Day of Prayer for Vocations. The world needs worthy leaders, Good Shepherds of the 21st Century, caring unselfishly for the needs of God's people. Please, pray for Vocations.

Prayer: For all those called to lay down their lives as priests, deacons, and in the consecrated life, that they will be faithful witnesses to the Good Shepherd in our midst, **we pray to the Lord.**

Action: Our religious charisms, our communities, our way of life, and our very vocations are precious gifts that come with tremendous responsibilities. How will we share this responsibility and provide leadership and loving service with and for God's people into the future?

GOODSOIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congratulation to the children who received the sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation. Amelia Piecharka, Paisley Bender, Presley Bender, Dominique Shortman, Rylee Shortman, Charlette Stoebich, Logan Weber, Mary Kope, Baylee Brunet, Brenna Brunet, and Dylan Raine



Knight of Columbus Meeting—Wednesday April 24th @ 7:30pm after mass.

April Cleaners— Dennis/Marty Hetlinger, Dave/Joan Hill, Ken/Ellie Huber

Cleaning duties are posted on the back bulletin board

PIERCELAND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Help Needed—we are looking for a grass cutter and trimmer for the church yard and cemetery. We have equipment. For more information please call Shannon @ 306 839 7654 or Wes McRae @ 780 812 0515

CWL News

We have a wedding catering May 11/2024 for Gracie Lodoen. Looking for volunteers to help. We are also catering Goodsoil Grad so we will be preparing food at the hall in Goodsoil May 24. Prepare and serve meal etc. for both functions. A sign up sheet will be put up at church. Thank you in advance

Cleaning for April—Susan Logan -780-812-6878 Marcey Rawlake, Marla L'Heureux, Trisha Rawlake-Cattell, Kim McRae, Beverly Rawlake, Amber Rawlake



May the FAITH be with You! Youth Rally Registration is now open! May 4th, 2024

Registration starting at 9:30 am Event: 10:30 am - 7:00 pm St. John Community School 1453 - 7th Street Prince Albert Registration Fee \$35/Person Grade 7 and up

Register Online At: https://www.padiocese.ca/youth-ministry For more info contact: youth@padiocese.ca

The 4th Sunday of Easter is also called **Good Shepherd Sunday**. In each of the three lectionary cycles, our Gospel is taken from the 10th chapter of the Gospel of John. In Cycle B, we hear the middle verses of this chapter. Unless we consider this chapter in the greater context of John's Gospel, we will miss the radical nature of the statement Jesus makes when He declares Himself to be the Good Shepherd.

This chapter of John's Gospel follows Jesus' healing of the man born blind and the rejection of this miracle by the Jewish leaders who question Jesus' authority to heal. Jesus responds to this challenge by calling Himself the Good Shepherd. He is criticizing the leadership of the Pharisees and the other Jewish leaders. The Pharisees and other Jewish leaders are so angry that they attempt to stone and arrest Jesus. This controversy with the religious leaders continues until Jesus' death.



In the portion of the chapter that we hear proclaimed today, Jesus describes His relationship with His followers as similar to the relationship between a good shepherd and his sheep. As a good shepherd will risk and lay down his life in order to protect his sheep, Jesus willingly sacrifices Himself for the sake of His sheep. Jesus contrasts the actions of the good shepherd with the actions of the hired shepherd who abandons the sheep in the face of danger. In the verses following Jesus' teaching, we learn that the Pharisees and the other religious leaders understand that Jesus is referring to them when He describes the hired shepherds.

The concern of a good shepherd for his sheep is part of the shepherd's job. Jesus says, however, that the actions of the good shepherd are based upon the relationship that develops between the shepherd and the sheep. This is at the heart of the difference between the good shepherd and the hired shepherd. The good shepherd knows the sheep and therefore acts out of love. For the Good Shepherd, this is never simply part of a job; this love-in-action is integral to his identity.

As with so much of John's Gospel, one hears in this passage John's particular focus on Christology. As the sheep are known by the Good Shepherd, the Father knows Jesus and Jesus knows the Father. There is an essential unity between the Father and the Son. The freedom with which Jesus acts when He lays down His life is rooted in the unity that He shares with His Father. In this context, Jesus also refers to others with whom He shares a relationship. By this reference, John probably understands the eventual inclusion of the Gentiles in the Christian community. Our modern ears hear this as a reference to Christian unity. The work of ecumenism is to restore unity among all Christians so that we form one flock under one shepherd, as God desires. https://www.loyolapress.com/catholic-resources/liturgical-year/sunday-connection/